MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL CITY OF SEAT PLEASANT PUBLIC SESSION MONDAY, JANUARY 9, 2017 7:00P.M.

1. OPENING

1.1.1 Call to Order

Council President Yeargin called the meeting to order at 7:07p.m.

1.1.2 Roll Call

Present: Mayor Eugene W. Grant, Councilmember Charl Jones (Excused), Councilmember Lamar Maxwell, Councilmember Shireka McCarthy, Councilmember Kelly Porter, Councilmember Gloria Sistrunk, Councilmember Aretha Stephenson, Councilmember Reveral Yeargin

Staff: Dashaun N. Lanham, City Clerk, Weyimi Ayu, Acting Economic Development Coordinator

1.1.3 Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance:

The invocation was given by Councilmember Porter

1.1.4. Approval of Agenda

It was motioned by Councilmember Maxwell and seconded by Councilmember Porter to approve the Public Session agenda. The motion carried and the agenda was unanimously approved by the Council.

1.1.5. Approval of Meeting Minutes

- It was motioned by Councilmember Stephenson and seconded by Councilmember Maxwell to approve the Regular Work Session Minutes meeting minutes for Monday, December 5, 2016. The motion carried and the minutes were unanimously approved.
- It was motioned by Councilmember Maxwell and seconded by Councilmember Stephenson to approve the Public Session meeting minutes for Monday, December 12, 2016. The motion carried and the minutes were unanimously approved.

2. PRESENTATIONS:

2.1. None

3. LEGISLATION

3.1. Ordinance O-17-13 To Establish an Affordable Housing Trust and Revolving Loan Fund for the City of Seat Pleasant. Ordinance O-17-13 was introduced by the City Council and read by the City Clerk on Monday, January 9, 2017.

4. REPORTS:

4.1. Council President Report

• Council President Yeargin stated that the report for the month of December has been included in the paperless agenda packet.

4.2. Mayor Eugene W. Grant

• Mayor Grant stated that the monthly report for the month of December has been included in the paperless agenda packet.

4.3. City Administrator Report:

• Mr. Ayu read the City Administrator monthly report and a synopsis of the Police Department monthly reports for the month of December.

5. UNFINISHED BUSINSS

5.1. None.

6. NEW BUSINESS

6.1. Approval to Pay Outstanding Sprint Bill from City Administrator Contingency.

- It was motioned by Councilmember Maxwell and seconded by Councilmember Sistrunk to pay the Outstanding Sprint Bill for \$11,801.65 from the City Administrator Contingency line item 4-5979. The motion carried.
- FOR: Maxwell, McCarthy, Porter, Sistrunk and Yeargin
- AGAINST: Stephenson

7 CITIZEN COMMENTS

• Ms. Elenora Simms-Ms. Simms stated the Ethics Commission Application language with regards to requiring an individual to

provide financial information, background check and credit is too strong. This is more than what an elected official had to endure. Ms. Simms wanted to know if the language could be softening, as she feels it is hindering the residents from volunteering. Councilmember Sistrunk stated that the CPAC application require a background check. Councilmember Maxwell stated that the credit score is checked to ensure that you qualify, but the individual credit will be impacted. Mayor Grant stated that he will re-visit the application. Ms. Simms stated that the presentation for the meeting with Safeway is excellent. However, the County gave a lot of statistics, but no guidance to the City. Mayor Grant stated that the City has been meeting with various agency before and have another scheduled this week to assist with the resources. Ms. Simms stated that the Arrington property is still bringing trash into the City and we need to be fined again. Ms. Simms stated that she feels a councilmember should be a part of the oversight board for the Affordable Housing Trust Fund and the Revolving Loan Fund.

8 ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 8.1. Maryland General Assembly Reconvenes, Wednesday, January 11, 2017 at 12:00p.m., Annapolis, MD
- 8.2. State of the City Address, Monday, January 30, 2017, Seat Pleasant Activity Center, 5720 Addison Rd., Seat Pleasant, MD at 6:30p.m.
- 8.3. Regular Work Session, Monday, February 6, 2017, Seat Pleasant City Hall-Council Chambers at 6:00p.m.
- 8.4. Public Session, Monday, February 13, 2017, Seat Pleasant City Hall-Council Chambers at 7:00p.m.
- 8.5. Seat Pleasant Black History Program, Saturday, February 25, 2017, Seat Pleasant Activity Center, 5720 Addison Rd., Seat Pleasant, MD at 11:00a.m.

9. ADJOURN-

The meeting adjourned at 8:02p.m.

Submitted by,

Dashaun N. Lanham, CMC

City Clerk